

duties connected with said survey as said duties are prescribed by chapter 711 of the acts of the general assembly of Maryland of 1906, pertaining to natural oyster beds and bars.

1908, ch. 590, sec. 2.

130. After said rocks shall have been surveyed as provided in section 129 of this article, no part of them shall be leased to any person or persons for the purpose of planting, bedding or cultivating oysters therein, but they shall be reserved to the public in the State of Maryland for the sole purpose of taking clams therefrom, and shall be treated in every particular as are the natural oyster beds or bars which have been or shall be surveyed by the board of shell fish commissioners under chapter 711 of the acts of the general assembly of Maryland of 1906.

1908, ch. 228.

131. The board of public works shall be and is hereby authorized and required to rent or hire a suitable boat to assist in guarding the tonging bottoms of Somerset county located at or near the mouth of the Wicomico river, or adjacent thereto, and in enforcing the laws pertaining thereto, at a cost not to exceed thirty dollars per month for the hiring of said boat, and to appoint a suitable person to command said boat at a salary of fifty dollars per month, from the first day of September to the 30th day of April following, of each and every successive oyster season; and the commander of said boat shall be authorized to select such number of seamen to serve on said boat as the board of public works shall authorize, not to exceed two in number, at salaries of thirty dollars each per month, during the period of his or their service on said boat; provided, however, that the owner of such boat so hired shall keep the same in good order and repair.